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1.  pinpoint the airfield and instrument factory at Swidnica 5051N-1630E. See Annex A.
2. The following points refer to my sketch of the area Annex B.
  - a. Airfield: grass covered, 3 km. by 1 1/2 to 2 km. I have no information on runways. I observed at this airfield, Soviet two-engine bombers (IL-4 type), Soviet one-engine fighters ("F-39 Q", "LA-11", "YAK-9P" and "YAK-9U" types), Soviet transport planes (YAK-14 type) and biplanes (PO-2 type). At various times I observed anywhere from 10 to 150 Soviet two-engine bombers, 5 to 50 Soviet one-engine fighters, 2 to 10 transport planes, and 5 to 10 biplanes. In the month of September 1951, I saw four or five unidentified aircraft at this field, but am not able to sketch these aircraft. A description of the aircraft follows:
    - (1) Single place, low wing aircraft.
    - (2) Wing: Span five meters, swept back, slight positive dihedral; wing approximately one meter from ground.

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- (3) Engine: Radial, four cylinders (prominently exposed), small spinner, three bladed prop (each blade approximately 60 cm. in length).
- (4) Fuselage: Five meters long, Blunt nose; the lower line of the fuselage was a gradual curve from the blunt nose, and tapering upward in a continuous line into the curved trailing edge of the vertical stabilizer; upper line of fuselage was broken only by the canopy which was situated over the trailing edge of the wing; upper line of the fuselage tapered into the curved leading edge of the vertical stabilizer; top of canopy was approximately two and one half meters from ground level.
- (5) Tail Assembly: Curved vertical stabilizer tapering into lines of fuselage; horizontal stabilizer swept back, slight positive dihedral; situated in line with the fuselage.
- (6) Landing Gear: Beneath wing, wheels approximately 40 cm. in diameter; tail wheel approximately 20 cm. in diameter.

25X1 [redacted] this aircraft was manufactured in 1951. During the evenings I saw a beam of light constantly traveling in a circle at this airfield.

- b. Aircraft Parts Factory: Constructed of brick; height, three or four stories. I do not know the dimensions. The roof was covered with tar paper and oval shaped. A brick chimney protruded from roof, 30 to 40 m. high, 2 m. in diameter at roof top, tapering up to 60 cm. at top. The factory was constructed by Germans during World War II. I heard that it was being operated by Russian personnel. There were other buildings in the vicinity that belonged to the factory but I do not know anything about them.
- c, d, e. Hangars: These were 70 to 80 m. long, 40 to 45 m. wide, 15 m. high. Constructed of brick to a height of one and one half meters; the remainder was windows. These had tar paper covered, oval shaped roofs.
- f. Building: This brick building had three stories; it was 40 m. long, 15 m. wide, and had a tar paper covered oval shaped roof.
- g. Instrument Factory: An L-shaped building constructed of brick, four stories high. Each wing was 80 to 100 m. long, and 20 m. wide. The roof was tar paper covered and oval shaped. A brick wall two meters high surrounded entire factory area which was 200 m. wide. I do not know the length. There were other buildings in this area but I know nothing about them. This factory produced electric clocks, voltmeters, ammeters and other types of instruments and test equipment. There were 1500 Polish workers employed at this factory.
- h. Soviet Cemetery: One hundred by 150 m., it was surrounded by a wooden fence, one meter high.
- i. RR Track: A single track, normal gauge (formerly was a double track), which led north 8 to 10 km. to Jaworzyna Slaska 5055N-1628E. This track was 500 m. from the airfield.
- j. Road: Asphalt, six meters wide, it was in poor condition. It was situated 200 to 300 m. from the airfield and led north 10 or 12 km. to Zarow 5057N-1630E.

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- k. RR Bridge: Made of concrete, this bridge was 8 m. long, 10 m. wide and 4 m. high.
- l. Road: Constructed of asphalt, it was seven meters wide and in good condition.
- m. Street: Well constructed, it was five meters wide.
- n. Buildings: Occupied by Soviet personnel, but I do not know their construction, dimensions or types. Civilians were restricted from this area.

Enclosures:

- A. Overlay of GSGS #416, Sheet A-17, pinpointing Swidnica Airfield and Instrument Factory
- B. Memory sketch of Swidnica Airfield and Instrument Factory

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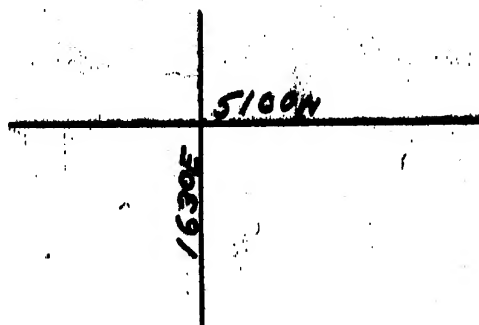
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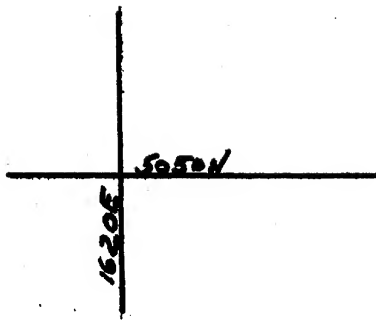
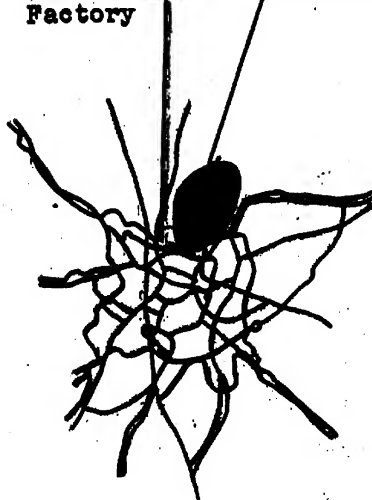
Annex B

- A. Overlay of GSGS 4416, Sheet R-17, pinpointing Swidnica Airfield and Instrument Factory



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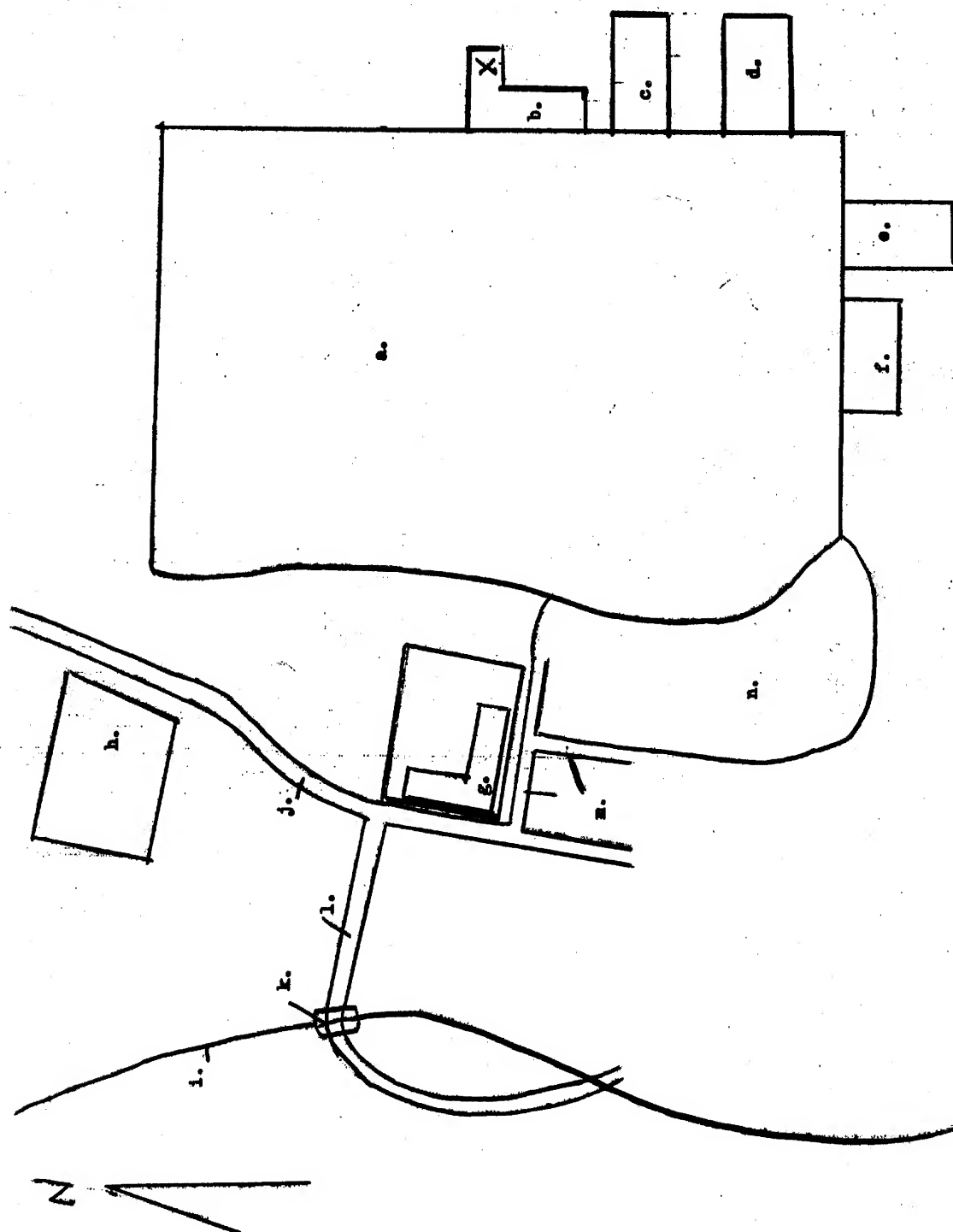
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B. Memory sketch of Swidnica Airfield and Instrument Factory



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